

**STATE TO PAY DEBT TO NEEDY.**

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paint; the grounds ornamented with trees and shrubbery and the walks clean. The old comrades are, as a rule contented. The fare is good, the rooms comfortable, the regulations reasonable, and an air of cheerfulness pervades.

**Home for Confederate Widows.**  
A bill is now pending for the establishment of a home for the indigent widows and wives of Confederate veterans, carrying with it an appropriation of \$10,000 for the erection and furnishing of buildings and \$5,000 annually for its support. There are now approximately 6,000 wives and widows of Confederate veterans in North Carolina and a goodly number of these are entirely dependent upon others than themselves. The Daughters of the Confederacy have been plugging away on this movement for a number of years and there is no doubt that their endeavors will culminate in success at this session of the Legislature, as the bill passed the Senate Saturday. Several cities are pulling for the Institution, Durham having offered to give a site and \$2,000 cash in an effort to land it. This is understood to be the best offer made to date. The Daughters promise to raise \$5,000 with which to furnish the home. It is known by all that the time is ripe for showing the old soldiers and their widows gratitude for their service in an effort to uphold the South's noble cause and this point is being strongly argued by those favoring the movement, which seems to have no opposition.

**Tenth District Legislation.**  
It appears that Henderson county is to have a search and seizure act similar to that enjoyed by the State at large. At the most interesting and spectacular session of the present General Assembly the House of Representatives Friday night passed a State wide search and seizure act. Its destiny will be determined in the Senate, where it will get some hard knocks even if it is not killed. There were all kinds of tactics in the House calculated to lay the bill on the cooling board, but after a hard struggle the bill was adopted by a large majority. Many representatives from various parts of the state endeavored to have their counties exempted from the operation of the bill, but the supporters of the same wanted a State wide affair or none at all.

The Representatives from Transylvania, Swain, Rutherford, Graham and Clay counties wanted their counties exempted, but to no avail.

This bill embraces the one introduced for Henderson county by Representative Patton. Other bills of his are in the hands of the committee on Private Bills for the purpose of including them in an omnibus bill to be made up near the end of the session.

Representatives and Senators from the Tenth Congressional district continue to drop bills of interest to their respective counties or districts in the hopper of the Legislative mill, which has ground out a large number, those of the last week being given in this article.

The bill submitting to the people of Jackson county the question of moving the county seat to Sylva from Webster is now in the hands of the Senate committee on Counties, Cities and Towns, and the result is unknown. The greater part of the Jackson county contingency has returned home, but a few mountaineers are hanging on to watch the last stages of the fight.

On Saturday Representative Deaver introduced bill relative to the good roads situation in Transylvania county. The bill abolishes the supervision of magistrates, and provides for the appointment of three trustees by the county commissioners. They will later be elective positions and the trustees will receive no pay for their services except they will be exempted from road duty. The trustees will appoint one overseer for each township, his salary to be \$150 per day. The road tax duty is \$4 a year or four days of work. Persons between the ages of eighteen and twenty-one years in attendance upon school will not be subject to road duty.

Another bill of Mr. Deaver's authorizes the county commissioners to levy a special tax of five cents on the \$100 worth of property for the purpose of paying of certain debts.

If another bill of his passes the commissioners of Transylvania county will be authorized to levy a special tax to equip and maintain a chain gang in the county. A chain gang has been maintained at times in the county upon the petition of the people.

The state treasurer will be authorized by a bill of Mr. Deaver's to refund to Transylvania county \$150 to cover the amount the authorities paid Judge Long for holding a special term of court there on the commission of the governor.

Representative Mashburn has introduced a bill providing for the people to elect the members of the board of education of McDowell county by popular vote.

Of interest to the engineers of the State is a bill introduced by Representative Bolich of Polk county, prescribing the qualifications of engineers operating trains in the State.

Representative Coffield has a bill to amend and consolidate the charter of the town of Bostic, Rutherford county.

Representative Martin has several new bills in the hands of committees. He would make the gambling laws more stringent in Cherokee county judging from a bill introduced. He thinks that many gambling devices in the county will be discouraged by a new law.

The citizens of Cherokee are preparing for a county fair next fall and a bill has been introduced by Mr. Martin to incorporate the Cherokee Union Fair association.

Another bill of his pertains to the road laws in Cherokee county.

A movement is on foot in Murphy to build a hospital for which funds have been subscribed and in order that the movement may be successful Mr. Martin has introduced a bill to incorporate the Murphy Memorial hospital.

Representative Phillips has responded to the good roads spirit in Graham county by introducing a bill to provide for the issuance of bonds by Cheoah township for the construction of roads.

The people of Henderson county will be interested in a bill introduced by Mr. Patton to give Judge Pace, clerk of the Superior court, certain relief during the terms of court and in cases of illness. The bill provides that the commissioners in their discretion may employ a man during the sessions of the court and in the case of illness on the part of the genial judge, salary not to exceed \$2.50 per day. This assistance with that to be rendered by Auditor Allen will lighten considerably the duties of Judge Pace, in whose behalf along this line a number of citizens are understood to have interested themselves.

Representative Ray has a bill to divide Nantahala township in Macon county into two road districts.

A bill introduced by Senator Hannah is intended to make the board of aldermen and the mayor of Waynesville ineligible to serve as trustees for the Waynesville graded schools.

The Bryson City school district is to be provided with a compulsory school law by a bill introduced by Senator Hannah. The board of trustees will have authority to excuse any person from attendance when sick and children between the ages of eight and fourteen years will be excused two days in each month by the board. It is understood that this is an eight months school and that those in charge are anxious that the children be compelled to attend more regularly, hence the bill, which was drawn up to suit their tastes.

Another bill introduced by Senator Hannah during the week provides for the levying of a special tax of ten cents on the \$100 worth of property to be used for the construction of good roads in Nantahala township, Swain county. Martin Tabor, John Cunningham and Vance DeHart are designated as road commissioners for the township.

Senator Weaver of Asheville dropped several bills into the hopper this week. One of them amends the charter of the Mountain Retreat association by giving that religious organization more authority in the control of matters taking place within the premises of the organization.

Of State-wide importance is a bill of his providing for the increase of powers for the board of internal improvements.

A bill of his incorporates the reformatory of Buncombe county into a School of Correction and Detention for the Juvenile Offenders of Asheville. Since the establishment of this school by the city and county, it has been going under most odd names.

Senator Lovingood has a bill the purport of which is to protect the public health of Andrews and Murphy in Cherokee county. Another bill of his amends the law with respect to the side walks of Andrews.

Senator Weaver has introduced a bill to amend the charter of Weaver-ville, extending the powers of the board of aldermen, allowing it to lay out new streets, institute condemnation proceedings, purchase a water shed, etc., all to be in keeping with the progress of this beautiful and rapidly growing village a few miles north of Asheville.

Representative Roberts has a bill for the relief of the commissioners of Buncombe county.

A bill to abolish the tenancy between man and wife, is the title of a bill introduced during the week by Senator Weaver.

Another bill introduced by him would authorize the town of Black Mountain to issue \$5,000 in bonds for the purpose of installing a sewerage system, and for other purposes, while another amends the compulsory school laws of Asheville.

A bill of his authorizes the increase of capital stock of the Talc and Mining company from \$100,000 to \$250,000.

**Movements of Mountaineers.**  
Senator Carson of Rutherfordford, has recovered after a week's illness, during which time he was confined to his room.

Senator Allen has been a little under the weather for a few days but is up and attending to his daily duties again. His physician told him that he thought measles was developing and the Senator, who had only the day before boasted of the fact that he was measles-proof, went to bed like a good little boy. It was too much of a play thing for him and he soon crawled out. He says that it was nothing but grip.

Representative Wike after being confined to his room for a day or so is up and going again.

Representative Bolich and son, Harold, left Saturday for a visit to their home in Saluda.

Hon. Charles A. Webb and J. E. Swain were among those in Raleigh from Asheville during the latter part of the week.

Col. S. A. Jones was here from Waynesville.

Dr. L. B. McBrayer of Asheville and Dr. J. Howell Way of Waynesville, were here this week, having a place on the program of the North Carolina Conference for Social Service held here last week.

Judge Frank Carter, of Asheville, was here Saturday.

**Ratified Bills.**  
Following is a list of bills affecting the Tenth Congressional district, ratified since those given in last week's issue of The Democrat. They are now the law of the land:

Act to amend chapter 115 of the Public Local Laws of 1911, relative to working and keeping up the roads of Macon county.

Act to provide for the laying out and building of a public road from a point on the road leading from Highlands, N. C., to Dillard, Ga., to Otto, Macon county.

Act to allow the board of county commissioners of Jackson county to pay James M. Price his doctor bill and hospital expenses.

Act to declare the outside lines of the stock law boundary in Macon county, a lawful fence, and for other purposes.

Act to prohibit persons under the

age of eighteen years from entering pool rooms, etc., in the county of Cherokee.

Act to amend Section 3769 of the Revised of 1905 so as to apply to Cherokee county with reference to the use of barbed wire.

Act to fix the salaries of the officers of Cherokee county.

Joint resolution relative to the investigating of the South Atlantic and Western Railroad company.

Act to regulate the sale of lands in Graham county for delinquent tax due thereon.

Act to authorize the commissioners of Jackson county to levy special taxes to meet the general indebtedness, and for other purposes.

Act to incorporate the trustees of the Jupiter Presbyterian church in Buncombe county.

Act to establish a recorder's court in the town of Brevard and the county of Transylvania and to prescribe the jurisdiction thereof.

**LEGISLATIVE MATTERS.**

**Some Happenings at State Capital the Past Week.**

Raleigh, N. C., (Special).—A message from Governor Craig to the General Assembly reported the appointment of Senator W. B. Council, Representative E. J. Justice, and N. B. Broughton as the commission under the joint resolution to confer with railroad officials as to the possibility of eliminating inter-State freight rate discriminations against North Carolina shipping points amicably and report back to the legislature by February 25th.

The Senate has passed the joint resolution from the House to increase the number of judges, judicial districts and solicitors from 16 to 20 and tabled a motion to reconsider, as did the House, in order that the matter cannot be re-opened or receded from during this session.

The legislative fight over the allotment of space in the splendid quarter million dollar fire-proof State building to be completed February 15th, began with the introduction of a joint resolution by Dillinger for three Senators and five Representatives to investigate and report as to upsetting the allotments of State department quarters as made by the State Building Commission and making room for the departments of education and insurance especially possibly by leaving the Supreme court in the present old quarters and cutting down the space allotted to the Historical Commission.

The House Committee on Constitutional Amendments has decided to propose an amendment to the joint resolution, the ratification of which is pending, for the appointment of a commission of five Senators, eight Representatives and five commissioners, named by the Governor, to constitute a commission to take in hand bills to amend the constitution and formulate proposed amendments to be reported to an adjourned or special legislature next fall.

The amendment suggested by Representative Page and just adopted by the committee provides that the Governor, Speaker of the House and president of the Senate shall each nominate their respective number of the commissioners and the nominations can only be confirmed by the vote of two of the three. This agreement of the committee is to be reported to the House at once and the joint resolution which has already passed both houses amended before ratification.

The Senate Committee on Appropriations decided to report favorably the bill allowing \$5,000 to the Corporation Commission for use in the preparation and prosecution of suits before the Inter-State Commerce Commission looking to a relief from the freight rate inequalities from which North Carolina towns are suffering. The money is to be expended mainly in the employment of freight rate experts.

**PARCELS POST PAYS.**

**Forty Million Packages Handled During Month of January.**

Washington, D. C., (Special).—Approximately 40,000,000 parcel post packages were handled during January. At the fifty largest postoffices 19,365,433 parcels were handled in the first month of the operation of the new system, and the business of the last two weeks exceeded that of the first two weeks by more than 5,000,000 packages.

Chicago exceeded all other cities in the number of parcels handled, its total being 4,163,152. New York handled 3,519,177, Atlanta 183,000, St. Paul 181,056, New Orleans 166,391, Dallas 130,200, Louisville 114,076, Richmond 100,000, Nashville 69,270, Jacksonville, 42,963.

The present season is the dull one in postoffice business, but even if there should be no increase in the parcel post work about 500,000,000 parcels would be handled during the first year. Some postmasters estimate the first year's total will be 1,000,000,000 packages.

From the more remote sections of the country postmasters report merchants are preparing to extend their fields to the rural districts through the new system, and farmers are preparing to send products to cities and towns upon the opening of the spring season.

The preliminary appropriation for the establishment of the parcel post has been exhausted and Postmaster General Hitchcock today asked for an additional appropriation of \$750,000.

**Money in Blooded Cattle.**

Does it pay to raise improved cattle instead of an inferior or mixed breed, especially when it costs no more to raise and market them? Good calves, of ordinary blood are going at from \$10 to \$15, yet a few days since J. S. and G. C. Winkler sold two thoroughbred short horns, less than a year old for which they received \$40 and \$50 respectively. Cattle which are blooded cattle in Watauga, which is being contended for by our Live Stock Association, and you will add many dollars to the pockets of the farmers.—Watauga Democrat.

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**PAPEE MILK BOTTLES.**

**May be Adopted in Cities for Sanitary Reasons.**

After several years of experiment, expert machinists have succeeded in developing an automatic machine which will turn out, they claim, 10,000 paper milk bottles per day. The invention promises to work a revolution in the milk trade, which ranks among the great industries of this city. At the recent hearing of the State food commission it was shown that New York and suburbs use around 2,500,000 bottles of milk daily, in addition to about 60,000 cans of 40 quarts each, which are sold by milk stations.

The paper milk bottle promises to be a great proposition since it will solve a number of problems which now confront that trade. One of these problems is the sanitary advantage which the single service package will afford. The best devices for washing and sterilizing glass milk bottles have admittedly been a failure, since there is no positive assurance to the consumer that the bottle has not at some time been subject to contact with disease germs. Every large milk distributor, whether a company or individual is thus left entirely at the mercy of his

employees. The best system devised does not insure in every case that the container is absolutely free from disease germs. Where a population of between 5,000,000 and 7,000,000 people is involved, this matter of sanitation is an important one. The paper milk bottle, it is claimed, will finally solve this problem.

What is the most encouraging point in the matter is that the cost of the container will not exceed that of collecting glass bottles and properly cleansing them for refilling. Tests recently made in this city of the new automatic machine showed that the paper milk bottle has arrived. Other tests are now being made which will be made public later.—New York Produce News.

**The Door of Hope.**

A colored boy, 14 years old, raised 730 pounds of tobacco on three-quarters of an acre of ground in Barren county and sold the crop for 35 cents a pound. That darkey has the proper recipe for getting a firm grip on the "door of hope." He is setting a good example for his race and also for a few white men who spend most of their time whittling sticks and chewing tobacco at the cross-roads store or the village grocery.

**Tillman Hit 'Em Hard.**

In a prepared statement recently Senator Tillman replied to the resolution recently adopted by the lower house of the South Carolina legislature, calling on him for evidence to support his charges of corruption in that body. He said he merely wrote a letter to Governor Bleasdale during the campaign in which he charged that the legislature was being influenced by railroad attorneys. He asserts that this was a mere warning. He said he would again make charges, unless the legislature changed its ways. The public morals of South Carolina had grown worse in the last ten years, he declared.

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